

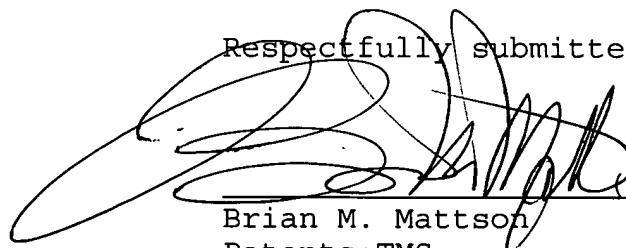
REMARKS

This Amendment filed under the provisions of 37 CFR §1.312 is submitted in response to the Notice of Allowance dated February 27, 2004. Applicants request the Patent Office to enter the above-amendments to the Specification, FIGS. 6, 8B and 8C of the drawings and Claim 1. The Amendments to the Specification, FIGS. 6, 8B and 8C and Claim 1 are necessary to correct grammatical errors in the application. Further, the Amendments correct minor grammatical errors to the application identified by Applicants and were recently identified by Applicants; therefore, because these errors were not identified prior to the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance, this Amendment could not have been presented earlier.

By the present amendment, Applicants submit that no new matter is being entered thereby. Further, Applicants submit that Claim 1, as amended, is in allowable form. Notice to that effect is requested.

Applicants submit that the application is in condition for allowance. If any outstanding issues remain, however, Applicants urge the Patent Office to telephone Applicants' attorney so that the same may be resolved and the application expedited to issue.

Respectfully submitted,



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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that the attached Amendment and Annotated Sheets Showing Changes and Amended Drawing Sheets for FIGS. 6, 8A, 8B and 8C is being deposited with the United States Postal Services as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to Mail Stop Reissue, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA ~~22313-1450~~ on May 20, 2004

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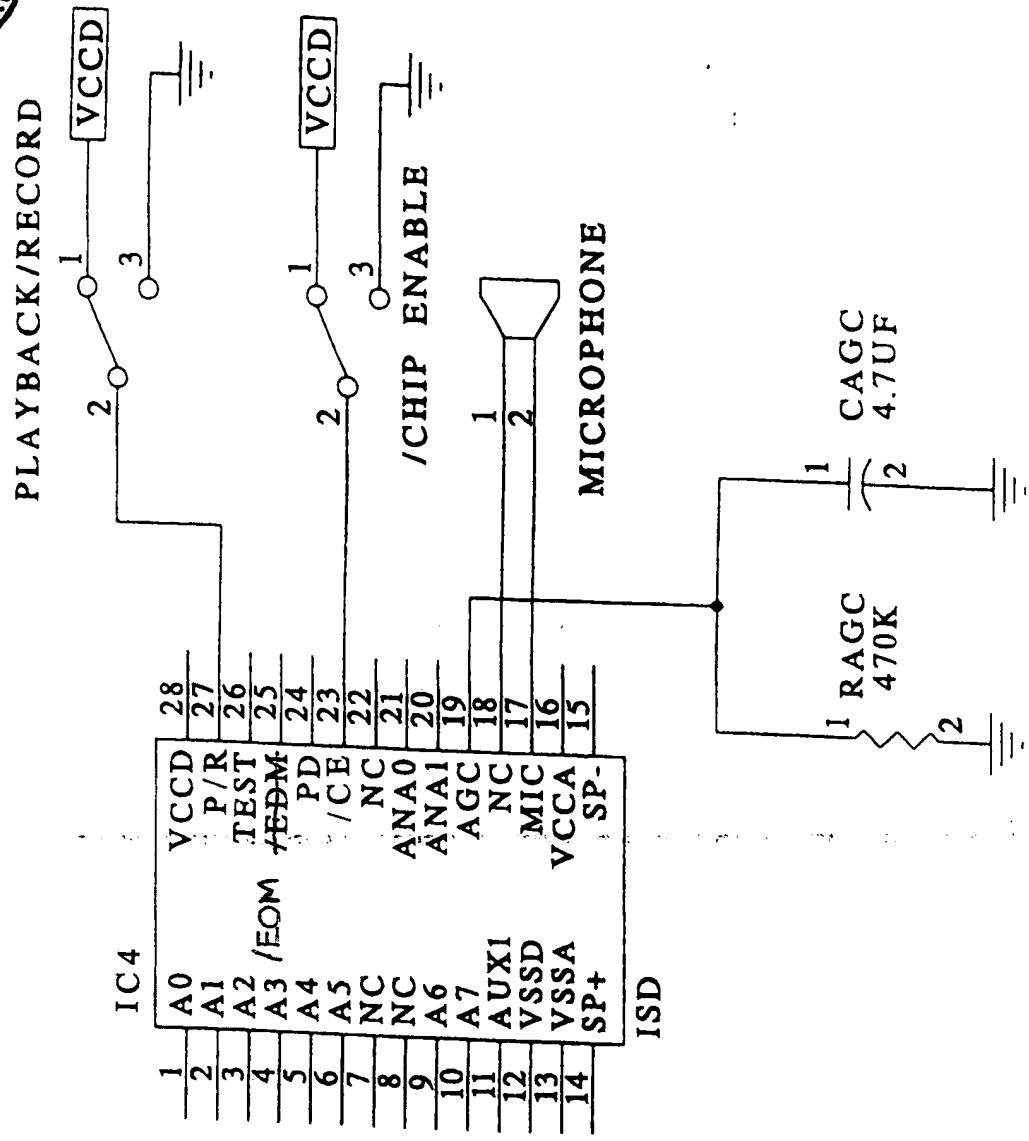


FIG.6

Annotated Sheets Showing Changes

FIG.8A

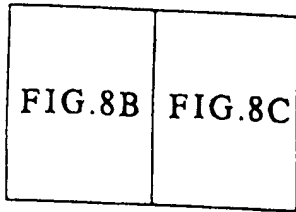
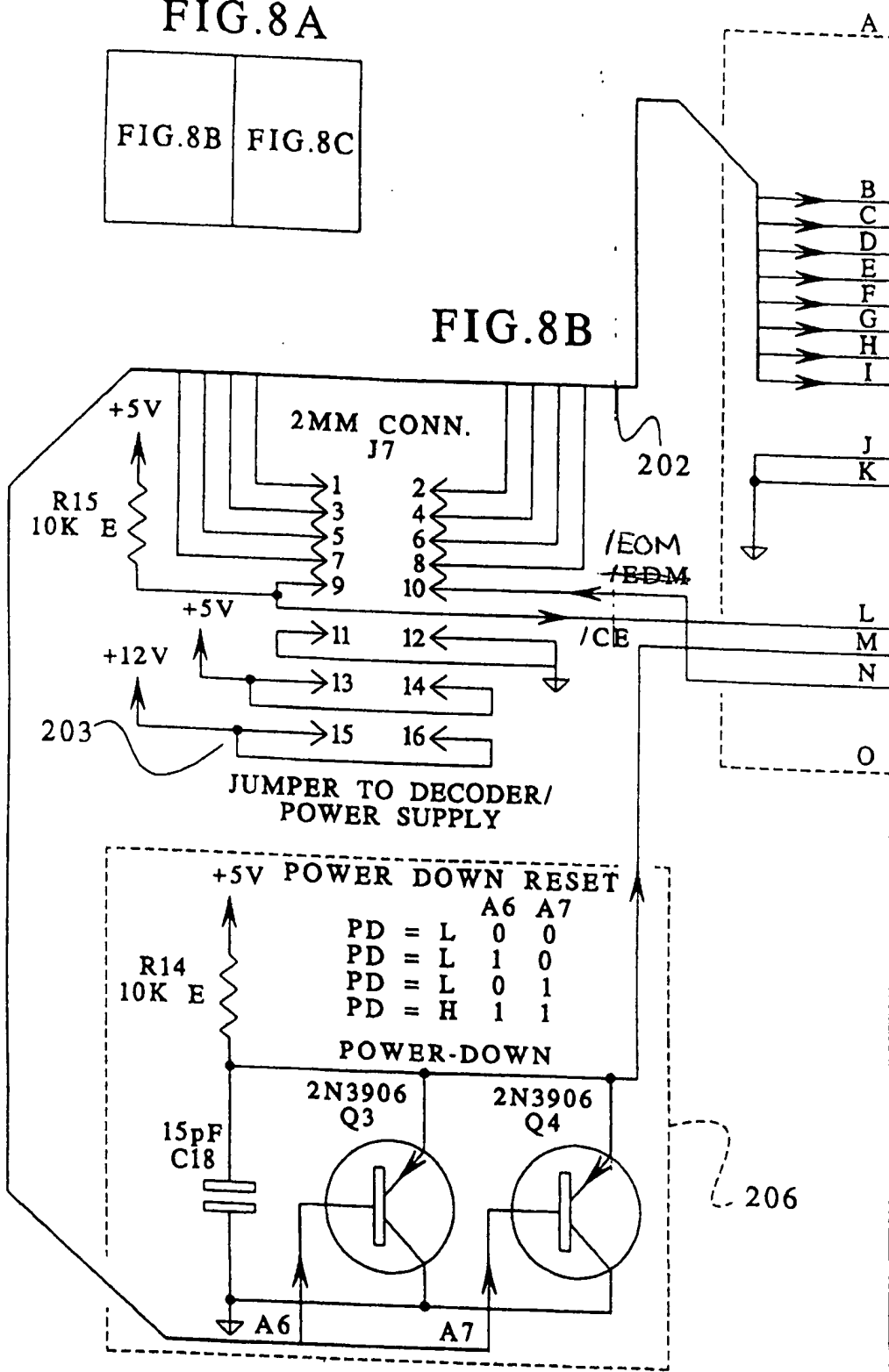


FIG.8B



Annotated Sheets Showing Changes

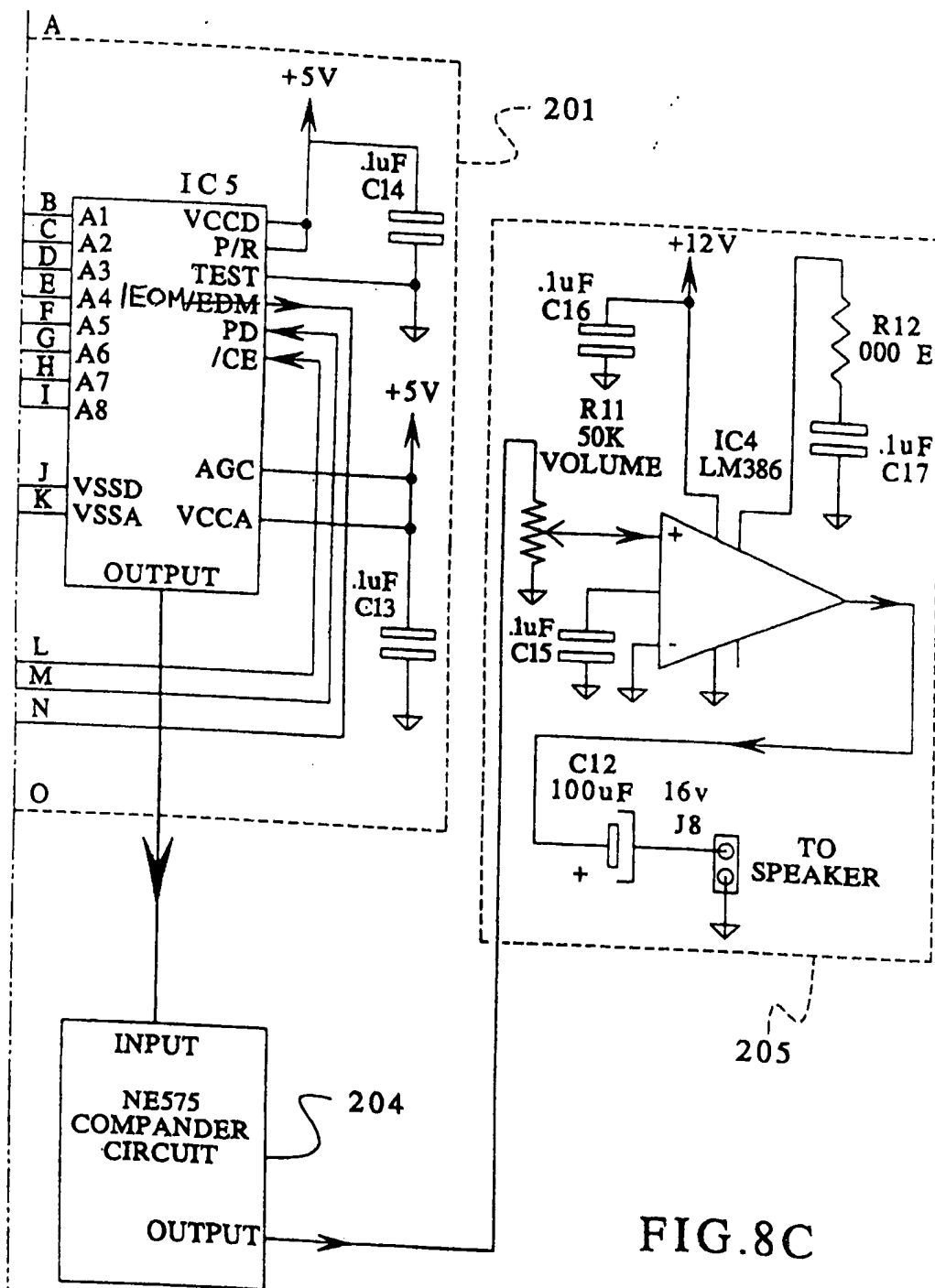


FIG. 8C